Vanderburgh County, IN Highlights

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Overview	Population	Education	Commuting	Labor Force	Industry	Income	Firm Size

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time

	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	165,424	167,371	167,736	172,839	174,729
Change Since 1988		1,947	2,312	7,415	9,305
Pct. Change Since 1988		1.2%	1.4%	4.5%	5.6%
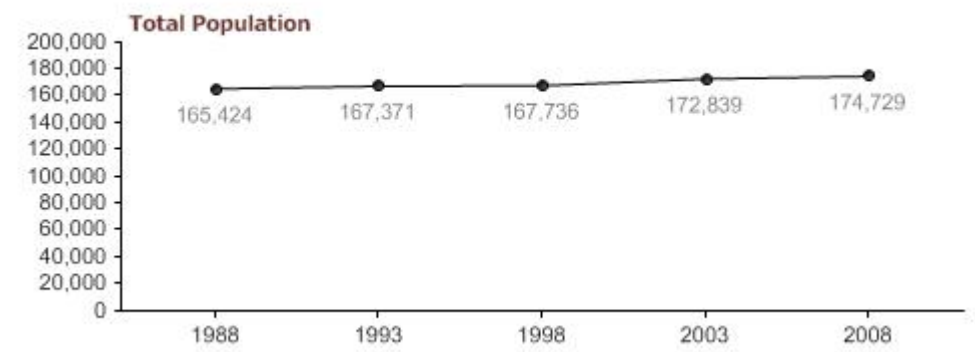
Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-859
International Migration	101
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	604
Births	2,444
Deaths	1,840

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	11,887	6.8%
School Age	28,658	16.4%
College Age	18,799	10.8%
Young Adult	44,933	25.7%
Older Adult	44,796	25.6%
Older (65 plus)	25,352	14.5%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	408	0.2%
Asian Alone	1,875	1.1%
Black Alone	14,939	8.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	83	0.0%
White Alone	154,665	88.5%
Two or More Race Groups	2,455	1.4%

Population by Race

88.50 %	White
8.55 %	Black
0.23 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
1.07 %	Asian
0.05 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
1.40 %	Two or More
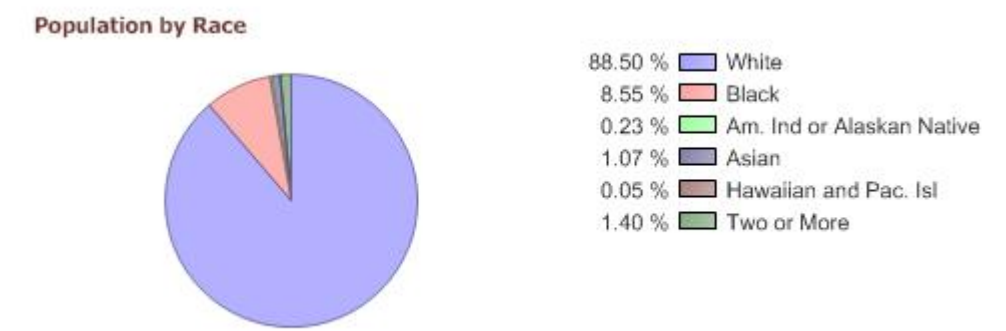
Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	172,263	98.6%
Hispanic or Latino	2,162	1.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	70,623	100.0%
Family Households	44,442	62.9%
Married with Children	13,788	19.5%
Married without Children	19,775	28.0%
Single Parents	6,456	9.1%
Other	4,423	6.3%
Non-family Households	26,181	37.1%
Living Alone	21,876	31.0%
Average Household Size	2.43	
Average Family Household Size	3.87	

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical	Pct. Chg.

			Chg.	
1950	160,422		NA	NA
1960	165,794		5,372	3.3%
1970	168,772		2,978	1.8%
1980	167,515		-1,257	-0.7%
1990	165,058		-2,457	-1.5%
April 2000	171,926		6,868	4.2%
2008	174,729		2,803	1.6%
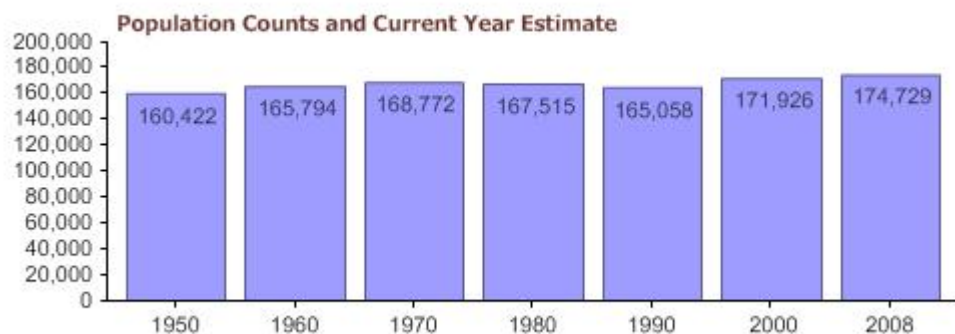
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Population Projections

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	173,187	172,656	173,273	174,827	177,987
Change Since 2005		-531	86	1,640	4,800
Pct. Change Since 2005		-0.3%	0.0%	0.9%	2.8%
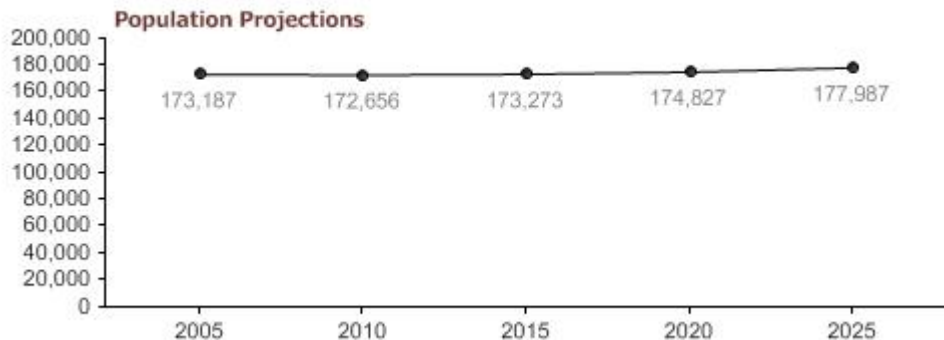
Source: Indiana Business Research Center